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SUBJ: FED INTEREST IN U.S. GRAIN STABILIZATION PROJECT

1. DIRECTOR OF THE FED, MR. JEAN BERTRAND, SPOKE WITH
CHARGE D'AFFAIRES AUGUST 31 ABOUT INCREASING MILLET PRODUCTION
IN MALI. HE SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO RECOMMEND TO FED
HEADQUARTERS BRUSSELS THAT INCREASING MILLET PRODUCTION MALLSWOULD
BE BEST MID-TERM/LONG-TERM DROUGHT RECOVERY PROJECT FOR THIS
AREA. HE SUGGESTED THAT FOR COST SHIPPING ONE TON U.S. SORGHUM
MALI, ONE COULD BRING HECTARE OF LAND UNDER IRRIGATION FOR
INCREASED MILLET PRODUCTION. BERTRAND SAID MILLET PROGRAM
ALSO GOOD BECAUSE GOM COULD PROVIDE THE PERSONNEL WITH
FOREIGN DONORS PROVIDING MATERIAL INPUTS ONLY. AS LONG AS
HECTARE YIELD REMAINS 500 KILOS HECTARE, MALI WON'T BE ABLE
FEED ITSELF, HE REMARKED. CHARGE HAS PROVIDED BERTRAND WITH
GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING GRAIN STABILIZATION PROGRAM
SENO VALLEY AND EXPRESSED DESIRE COOPERATE WITH BERTRAND IN
EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES EXPANDING MILLET PRODUCTION SCHEME.
HOWEVER, I MENTIONED THAT SEVERAL LIMITING FACTORS SUCH
PROGRAM: (1) GOM PRICE CONTROL WHICH ENCOURAGES MALI FARMER
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EXPORT HIS GRAIN REGARDLESS AMOUNTS PRODUCED LOCALLY; (2) GOM

INCLINATION SPEND HEAVILY ON INFRASTRUCTURE RATHER THAN
CONCENTRATE ON PRODUCTION.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE DAKAR AND WASHINGTON'S ADVICE CONCERNING
ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR PURSUING QUESTION FURTHER WITH FED
MALI. BERTRAND SAID HE WOULD BE SENDING ME SUMMARY THEIR
PROGRAMS MALI AND IN RESPONSE MY LAMENT ABOUT GOM FOOT
DRAGGING OVER CONTRACT TERMS FOR PROJECT MANAGER, BERTRAND
PROMISED SEND ME CONFIDENTIALLY COPY THEIR CONTRACT FORM.
KUNI HOLM

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